POLICE 411

Carlsbad Police Department

PRESS RELEASE

CRIME/INCIDENT:	211 P.C. Bank Robbery	CASE:	06-01783
DATE:	Robbery 03/06/06 - Arrest 03/09/06	TIME:	1402
LOCATION:	2550 El Camino Real		
SUSPECT 1:	REAL, Octavio	AGE:	39
SUSPECT 2:		AGE:	
VICTIM 1:	Bank of America	AGE:	
VICTIM 2:		AGE:	

SUMMARY: On 03/06/06 @ 2:02 pm the Bank of America at 2550 El Camino Real was robbed by a man who presented a demand note to a teller. The suspect, a Hispanic male adult in his 30's, initially asked to withdraw money from an account. He presented a drivers license and social security number to the teller but the account he requested was closed. The suspect asked the teller for a slip of paper. Once he had the paper he wrote a note stating, "This is a hold up" the suspect also wrote that he had a gun. He demanded only \$100 dollar bills. The teller tried to stall but the suspect started fidgeting and reaching into his pockets, fearing that he may actually have a gun, the teller eventually complied with the request. After the robbery the suspect fled in a blue SUV. (The vehicle belonged to REAL's girlfriend and was later (3/07/06) discovered abandoned in downtown San Diego.) Responding patrol officers recovered the identification that was left at the scene and were able to confirm with bank employees and surveillance video that REAL was the suspect.

Carlsbad detectives, acting on a number of investigative leads, began a search for REAL in both north and south county locations. Photographs and suspect information were also sent to other law enforcement agencies in San Diego County. On 03/09/06 REAL, who had fled to Mexico, contacted San Diego P.D. and arranged to turn himself in at the border. REAL was picked up at approximately 7pm. and transported to SDPD headquarters.

Carlsbad Detectives took custody of REAL and returned him to N. County where he was booked at the Vista Detention Facility on a charge of 211P.C. Robbery. Bail is set at \$125,000.

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